Newark Man Arrested for Invasion of Privacy- New Castle

New Castle- Delaware State Police have charged Omar Edwards, 25, of Newark, with invasion of privacy and harassment after taking photographs of a juvenile inside a New Castle Walmart.

The incident occurred on Sunday, December 5, 2021, at approximately 11:27 a.m., when troopers responded to the Walmart located at 117 Wilton Boulevard, New Castle, DE, in reference to an invasion of privacy. The investigation determined a male suspect was observed inside the store taking photographs with his cellphone up the skirt of a 14-year-old female victim without her knowledge. Edwards fled the scene prior to troopers arriving on scene. Through investigative means, troopers identified the suspect as **Omar Edwards**.

On January 19, 2022, Edwards was contacted at his residence and taken into custody without incident. Edwards was transported to Troop 2 where he was charged with the following crimes:

- Violation of Privacy (Felony) 3 counts
- Harassment

Edwards was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and released on \$7,000 unsecured bond.

Troopers have discovered evidence of other potential victims in Edwards possession. Anyone who believes they were a potential victim or have information regarding this incident is asked to contact Trooper Oakes of Delaware State Police Troop 2 by calling 302-365-8450. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppers.com.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.

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